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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, East Asia Division, DDO

SUBJECT : Mapping of Communist Presence in Indochina

REFERENCES : (a) Your memo to me, 26 October 1973,
same subject

(b) My memo to you, 15 November 1973,
same subject

1. After careful review of the Indochina maps on shelf, I have instructed the Cartography Division of OBGI to produce the following three new maps intended to help fill your requirements:

- a. Communist Civil and Military Administration
- b. Non-Communist Civil and Military Administration
- c. Major Logistics Routes in Indochina

2. Seven maps on shelf require no updating and are available:

- a. Population Density
- b. Precipitation and Monsoon Airflow
- c. Agriculture
- d. Ethnolinguistic Groups
- e. Areas Subject to Flooding
- f. Vegetation
- g. Terrain and Transportation

3. Four maps in which you indicated an interest we are unable to undertake at this time. All would have contained more perishable data. They are:

- a. Territorial Control
- b. Population Control
- c. Areas of Operation of Major Communist Units
- d. Strategic Patterns of Former Communist Offensives

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4. I have set no urgent deadline for the new maps. We estimate the job to take at least 400 man-hours. They should be ready in 4 to 6 weeks.

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